



BIOGRAPHY

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COLONEL MARK E. WARE

Colonel Mark E. Ware is Commandant of the Air and Space Basic Course, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

In this selectively manned unit, he is responsible for inspiring newly commissioned lieutenants to comprehend their role as Airmen. He equips his staff to instruct and mentor these new officers in air and space power, history, and doctrine. He instills a sense of dedication to ethical behavior and Air Force core values in his instructor staff and their students.

Colonel Ware entered the Air Force in 1982 after receiving his commission from Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps.

He is combat mission ready in three separate and distinct platforms; UH-1N, F-16, and E-3. His is a command pilot with more than 3,000 hours in the UH-1N, F-16, and E-3.



EDUCATION:

- 1982 Bachelor of Science degree in aircraft maintenance engineering, Parks Air College of Saint Louis University, Mo.
- 1986 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence
- 1993 Master's degree in public administration, Troy State University, Ala.
- 1996 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1998 Armed Forces Staff College, Joint PME Phase II, Norfolk, Va.
- 2000 Air War College, by correspondence
- 2005 Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. May 1982 – July 1983, student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Fort Rucker, Ala.
2. July 1983 – December 1986, UH-1N Combat Rescue copilot, Aircraft Commander, and instructor pilot, Detachment 18, 40th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron, Plattsburgh, N.Y.

3. January 1987 – January 1988, student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Fixed Wing Conversion, Vance AFB, Okla.
4. January 1988 – November 1988, lead-in fighter training, Holloman AFB, N.M., and student, F-16 basic course, 314th Tactical Training Squadron, 58th Tactical Training Wing, Luke AFB, Ariz.
5. December 1988 – December 1991, F-16 fighter pilot, 526th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
6. January 1992 – January 1994, F-16 fighter pilot, instructor pilot, flight commander, 19th Fighter Squadron; Chief, Wing Exercises, 363d Fighter Wing, Shaw AFB, S.C.
7. January 1994 – June 1995, F-16 instructor pilot, U.S. Foreign Military Sales Program, Peace Vector III Extended Training Services Specialist Team, Ismailiya, Egypt
8. July 1995 – June 1996, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. June 1996 – June 1999, Chief, Long Range Plans, Executive Officer to the Chief of Staff; Deputy Chief, Contingency Operations Branch, NATO headquarters, Airsouth, Naples, Italy
10. June 1999 – January 2000, student, E-3 pilot training, 552d Training Squadron, Tinker AFB, Okla.
11. January 2000 – July 2001, assistant director of operations, and Director of Operations, 963d Airborne Air Control Squadron, Tinker AFB, Okla.
12. July 2001 – January 2003, Commander, 961st Airborne Air Control Squadron, Kadena Air Base, Japan
13. February 2003 – July 2004, Deputy Commander, 18th Operations Group, 18th Wing, Kadena Air Base, Japan
14. July 2004 – May 2005, student (class president), Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
15. June 2005 – present, Commandant, Air and Space Basic Course, Squadron Officer College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: More than 3,000

Aircraft flown: UH-1N, F-16, E-3

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal

Aerial Achievement Medal

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Combat Readiness Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant Apr. 7, 1982

First Lieutenant Apr. 24, 1984

Captain Apr. 24, 1986

Major May 1, 1994

Lieutenant Colonel Nov. 1, 1998

Colonel Oct. 1, 2004

(Current as of June 2005)